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Superintendent's Report for: January 2020

Updates on: (Superintendent goals are underlined)

Budget (ED 279): These reports are due out in early February

Better feedback for teachers on their instruction: Met with principals 1/8 to continue looking at the observation evaluation process to improve our feedback

Policies: We will need to look at our tobacco policy as it is now against state statute for *anyone* to possess tobacco products on school properties.

Visits to classrooms: Worked with Coral Coombs 4th LCS 1/7; and Anna Muether 4th HES on 1/9; Dawn Stone 3rd AVS on 1/10;

Snow day count: Knock on wood...still just 2 days used HES & LCS and 1 day AVS!

Other: Draft calendars should be coming out soon for 2020-2021

HAL Goals for 2019-2020:

- How can we continue to align our professional development and calendar in our 3 schools, especially for support with our evaluation system and the Marzano instructional model?
- How can we as an administrative team address the challenges and improve on our evaluation model?
- How can we improve our Response to Intervention (RtI) to help support students in the regular instruction programs?

Hope School Committee Goals

- How can we continue to maintain our facility and address our lack of space?
 - Have a feasibility study conducted for options to increase space
 - Look at expanding the facility committee to research options
- How can we continue to support our strong and dedicated staff?
- How can we better communicate with parents and increase involvement?
- How can we improve our communication to share school news beyond our parental community, including town leaders?
 - Send out newsletters so that they are not an attachment but open immediately with a different platform (Mail Chimp)

Superintendent's Report for: December 2019

Legislative Issues and involvement at the state and national level to voice and address issues for small rural school districts: Phone conference with DOE official regarding food service at one of our schools on 12/13 regarding food planning regulations. I have a huge concern about the time and paperwork involved in meeting federal mandates.

Facilitated the Mid-Coast Regional Superintendents' Meeting 12/19.

Transportation: I did contact Luce Transportation who quoted a 3.5% increase for each of the two extension years on the contract for Hope and Appleton.

Visits to classrooms: Worked with Melissa Goeke 5th at HES 12/12; Caroline Moore middle school math LCS 12/13; Buffy Ludwick 12/17 4th AVS; HES Pre-K Open House 12/18; AVS Ambassadors' Breakfast for the staff on 12/20-Thank you! :)

Other: Danielle and I met with the Pre-K Foundation and the staff to discuss the budget, progress of the program and continued plans on 12/6. The budget is about \$140,000 for the program.

The principals and I met on 12/6 to begin looking at calendars for 2020-2021. Labor Day is late in 2020, so all schools will most likely begin before September 7.

Hope has agreed to sign on with Revision Energy for the solar proposal, along with Camden Rockport.